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### REMARKS

Applicant has amended the Related Art portion of the specification to clarify the description of the subject matter of certain prior art patents to Kodosky et al.

### CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits the application is now in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is requested.

If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Conley, Rose, & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5150-52100/JCH.

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Respectfully submitted,



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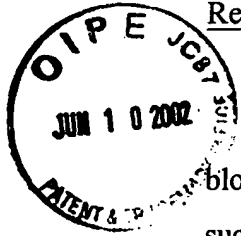
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Attachment A - Marked-Up Copy Showing Amendment to the Specification

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Replacement paragraph for page 3, line 12



The method disclosed in Kodosky et al allows a user to construct a diagram using a block diagram editor. The block diagram may include a plurality of interconnected icons such that the diagram created graphically displays a procedure or method for accomplishing a certain result, such as manipulating one or more input variables and/or producing one or more output variables. [The diagram may have one or more of data flow, control flow and/or execution flow representations.] In response to the user constructing a diagram or graphical program using the block diagram editor, data structures may be automatically constructed which characterize an execution procedure which corresponds to the displayed procedure. The graphical program may be compiled or interpreted by a computer.

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